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Ms. Darlene Standley, Chief  
Utilities Division  
Tennessee Regulatory Authority  
460 James Robertson Parkway  
Nashville, TN 37243-0505

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Dear Ms. Standley:

RE: Docket No. 05-00054 – Application of TriStar Gas Utilities, inc. to Obtain a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to Provide Natural Gas Service to Grundy County, Tennessee.

In response to your letter of August 31<sup>st</sup>, first question: “Was your letter of June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2005 requesting this petition be held in abeyance pending notification from your company to proceed?”

Answer: It was my intention at the time to ask for abeyance pending notification from my company to proceed.

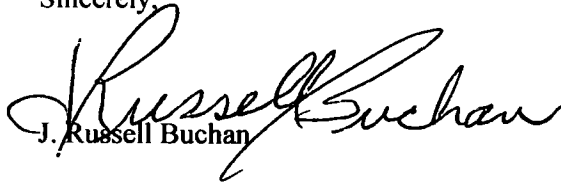
Your second question: “Was your letter of June 24<sup>th</sup> of 2005 withdrawing the petition and you will resubmit the petition upon completion of the refurbishing?”

Answer: Depending on rate of completion of the pipeline, this was considered.”

However, the owner of the pipeline and the prospective investors are unable to reach a contractual agreement. As the result, I have petitioned the Secretary of State to dissolve TriStar Gas Utilities, Inc. and hereby withdraw said petition.

I apologize for the inconvenience this has caused you and deeply regret that Grundy County will not soon have the benefits of natural gas.

Sincerely,

  
J. Russell Buchan